



WENDOUREE ATHLETIC CLUB Inc

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Meeting held on 28th November 2018. Meeting opened at 7.37pm

Present: Stephen McLennan, Michelle Hawkes, Phillip McLennan, Alison Fidler, Brendan Hawkes, Tyler Davis

Apologies: Caitlin Christie, Bill McLennan, Mal Johnstone, Nev Down, Kris Davis

Matters Arising:

- Approve October minutes
- Need to follow up with Football club about honour board contact.

Moved: Alison Fidler

Seconded: Michelle Hawkes

Outwards Correspondence:

Jenny Micallef – McCain’s taste testing to let them know we could fill in at any stage.

Inwards Correspondence:

Emails Received:

Ash Rodger – Brac minutes
Jenny Micallef – McCain’s taste testing
Michael Hynes – Active Ballarat Community Consultation
Glenn Turnor – Club Duty Notice
Matt Ward – Mt Pleasant PS – asking about use of athletic ground.

Accounts for Payment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Athletics Vic	Rego for Gordon & Leanne	\$81.60
	<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$81.60</u>

Moved: Michelle Hawkes

Seconded: Tyler Davis

Treasurers Report:

Moved: Alison Fidler

Seconded: Brendan Hawkes

Reports:

Financial Report - (Alison Fidler)

Term Deposit due in May 2019.

Teachers games have finally paid \$1620 into our account.

Still chasing a couple of people for their cross country run money.

Social Report - (Michelle Hawkes)

After track on the 15th December there will a BBQ held by BRAC.

There is also a 3000 and 5000m race to raise money for mental health, it will be a gold coin donation to enter and will start at 6.30pm.

Need to start thinking about the track and field presentation. The Barkly is a good option. At this stage we will have the presentation night on the 16th February 2019.

Fundraising Report - (Steve McLennan)

We have received the payment from the teacher's games.

We have completed 3 weeks of McCain's taste testing, which we will have raised \$360, still waiting for the payment to come through.

Plenty of sausages being sold on a Friday night at the Wendouree Juniors.

Woody Yaloak Report - (Peter Luke)

Nil

BRAC Report - (Steve McLennan)

Brac meeting was held on the 26th November.

See attached.

AV Report- (Steve McLennan)

Nil

Junior Report – T & F – (Michelle Hawkes)

Track & Field

We are well under way into the track and field season for the juniors on a Friday night and we have 315 kids on the boards up to date.

It has been very busy, and we have had a few of our senior junior athletes come along and help, which has been great.

We have our last night before Christmas and a visit from Santa on December 7th.

Moved: Tyler Davis

Seconded: Phil McLennan

General Business:

Steve McLennan	How much do we charge for the hire of our junior equipment if a school needs to use? This will need to be a case by case basis, but the minimum charge will be \$100. We will be getting the skip moved from the start of the aths area. Troy nearly has our sign ready to for the aths area.
Michelle Hawkes	Nil
Phil McLennan	Cross Country review. Look at increasing number of other users at certain races, safety, courses where people get lost, sponsored runs, clash races (AV & Ballarat) combined races with Ballarat, aggregate scoring systems etc. Things we need to discuss at length. We need to write a letter to council asking to have zebra crossing put on all the road ways. This should be done for the community as a whole and the future of safety for all lake users. We will have our meeting on the Wednesday 12 th Dec at 6.30pm at City Oval.
Alison Fidler	Nil
Brendan Hawkes	Nil
Tyler Davis	Ballarat North have rescheduled their sports day to Friday 7 th December 9am – 2pm. Can we get the 3 rd discus cage done over the summer break? Its been great that the kids that run Nationals and received financial help Nick, Lily, Darcy and Harry have helped so far.

Meeting Closed at 9.18pm

Next meeting proposed for the 16th January 2019 @7.30pm

BALLARAT REGIONAL ATHLETIC CENTRE
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday 15th January 2018 @ 7.30pm

Meeting Commence: 7:32pm

John Weeks declared a conflict of interest as he works for the City of Ballarat.

Present: Steve McLennan (Chair), Ashley Rogers (note taker), Michelle Hawkes, Rod Griffin, Nev Downs, John Weeks, Paul Burge, Helen Rieniets, Marita Rieniets

Apologies: Julie Bicknell, Shane Bicknell, Josh Attwood

Special Guests: Steve Moneghetti, Corey Saitta (WestVic Academy of Sport)

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

- The hole in the fence of the York Street carpark.
 - The hole has now been fixed.
- Quote for throwing in progress signs.
 - John has a quote (attached) and will be discussed in facilities report.
- Sponsorship development.
 - Ash still needs to send the original proposal to John first.
- Gaining access to the PayPal account.
 - Ash noted he had talked to Josh Attwood and Aaron Green who said neither of them were the original creators.
 - Marita confirmed she had gained access but hit another problem with the associated names on the account. She is working to amend this issue and will hopefully have full access by next month's meeting.
- John getting a copy of the BRAC constitution
 - Yes Ash was able to get an electronic copy to John. He will also forward it to all committee members.
- Astro turf outside the photo finish pavilion.
 - Still hasn't been fixed. Steve McLennan to do discuss in general business.
- Helen noted she is mentioned in the previous month's minutes though she did not attend.
 - Ash will fix that up. It should have read "Marita".
- The old sign in log book has still not been found.
 - Steve McLennan noted that Little Athletics is still not signing in and out. It was agreed that correspondence needs to be sent to them regarding this matter.
 - Ash to correspond with Little Athletics
- Little Athletics/AV Shield cross over day suggested last meeting.
 - Julie still hasn't spoken to anybody about it since and it was scheduled for this Saturday 1st of December.
 - It would be great to know if this is going ahead because entering athletes into the Meet Manger program is extremely time consuming
 - Steve McLennan to contact Julie regarding this issue.

Motion: That the minutes are a true and accurate record of the last meeting:

Moved: Rod Seconded: Michelle Vote: **Carried**

Correspondence:

In:

- Email from Greg Sprattling regarding the water bill situation (attached)
- Email from Steve Moneghetti confirming he will be attending the November BRAC meeting.
- Email from David Evans inquiring about his late father Life Member Jack Evans (attached)
 - Not a lot of knowledge about this person from the members of the board. It was suggested that either Kevin Ruddick or Russel Bourke would be ideal people to talk to.
 - Ash to follow up with them.
- Email from the Western Hotel regarding a competition they were running (has since expired)
 - Was emailed out to club delegates.
- Email from John Weeks with his AV registration receipt.
- Invoice from Magnetic Automation (turnstile gate cards)
- Invoice from Intersport (high jump bar supports)

Out:

- Email replying to Greg Sprattling thanking him for clarification on the water bill issue.
- Email to Steve Moneghetti inviting him to the BRAC monthly meeting (attached)
- Email out to John Weeks with the BRAC constitution.
- Email to Victorian Police regarding recent graffiti and damage to Llanberris signs (attached).

- John noted that Greg Sprattling should be notified as the council takes a zero tolerance policy on this sort of behavior.

Reports

Treasure's Report:

Attached below.

Council Report

At this stage John Weeks was asked to leave the room due to his conflict of interest.

Steve McLennan had a meeting with Greg Spratling which resulted in the hole in the fence being repaired. They also talked about the long term strategy of the flora and fauna of the Llanberris facility. Greg suggested that this would fall into a major funding issue and will rely on money coming from grants. Disappointingly this means we will need to deal with another department of the City Council.

Steve McLennan had a discussion with Mark Patterson about John Weeks and his conflict of interest as an employee of the council. Both men agreed that in the best interest of John that he step outside during council discussion.

- Steve McLennan wanted it noted that this was in no way personal towards John only that his passion can sometimes get himself into that conflict grey area.
 - Needless to say John is still a vital asset to BRAC and his insight is unmeasurable when it comes to other sporting facilities and dealing with councils.

Track Report

Numbers for the rounds since our previous meeting:

Round 4 = 103

Round 5 = 100

Round 6 = 92

Llanberris Gift (100m handicap) was well attended and enjoyed by all involved. Thanks to those who assisted.

BRAC had a number of representatives at the Australian 10 – 12 years Track & Field Championships in Melbourne (23rd – 27th November 2018).

The Mental Health Awareness 3000m and 5000m events will be conducted on 15th Dec 2018. They will start at approximately 6:30pm after the last event. \$2 entry for Registered and Non-registered athletes, with the proceeds of the runs going to Headspace Ballarat. Flyers and Posters will be emailed to all members and distributed to businesses in town.

There will be a BBQ after competition on the 15th December. Members are encouraged to stay.

Cross Country

AV is still yet to release dates for 2019 cross country season. Thus a syllabus is difficult to start assembling at this stage.

Steve McLennan stated that he will be holding an open forum to BRAC athletes about the upcoming 2019 Cross Country season. The date set was the 4th February 2019 at 7:30pm. Please spread the word to all members

Canteen

The canteen had 3 schools this month (2nd, 8th and 23rd November).

The school on the 23rd stated that they did not want the canteen open during the carnival. BRAC needs to enforce with schools that this is not an option and that the canteen runs at all events scheduled at the facility.

- This school also cancelled on the day due to rain and unfortunately will take a financial hit for Ash's wages. This brought up discussion about should schools be charged for a cancellation fee to cover these costs?
 - Ash found the terms and conditions for hiring Llanberris. It was found to have a cancellation fee that should have been enforced if the school hadn't booked in another date.
 - He will look it over and make any changes that are necessary. He will also send it to the booking schools are part of the hiring process.

Officials

Steve McLennan thanked all the officials so far for the hard work in the AV shield rounds that have been completed. Implementing the 2 shot put rinks worked really well and will be employed every round from now on.

- Athletes need to make sure they arrive at the event on time to ensure this works proficiently.

Helen queried that can the javelin times be changed to save time?

- Nev noted that the times can't be changed as they are set by AV before the start of the season. Steve McLennan and Ash also stated that the program is allowed to run 30 minutes ahead of schedule.
 - The following strategies were recommended to keep the javelin moving along proficiently.
 - Need to keep announcing the different rounds over the duration of the program
 - Clubs to word up athletes about attending on time
 - Not encouraging athletes to enter throws rounds when they have other events scheduled.

Helen confirmed she will get the officials roster out before Saturday.

Facilities Report

John has acquired a quote for new "throwing in progress" signs for the centre. The signs are a cost of \$300 each and most of the cost comes from the support stand they sit in. The board agreed this is a realistic amount per sign.

- John moved a motion that 3 signs be purchased for the centre.
 - Moved: John Seconded: Nev Vote: **Carried**
- John suggested that with the purchase of the new signs we should be encouraging/obliging school to use them when they hire Llanberris
 - Ash is happy to let school knows they need to put the signs out during carnivals when corresponding with them.

Motion: That the reports be received:

Moved: Helen Seconded: Rod Vote: **Carried**

General Business

John

John has read through the BRAC constitution and noted that section 12.6 states that office bearers of the BRAC board can't be financial employees. Currently Steve McLennan, Helen and Ash are all in this situation so BRAC are breaching section 12.6.

- Currently the constitution can only be changed at the BRAC AGM which isn't scheduled until May 2019
 - Rod will speak with Karelia Darracott (former BRAC secretary and lawyer) to find out what our legal options are to mend this issue.

Nev

Nev let everybody know that on the Round 8 of AV Shield (15th of December) we have a late start (4pm) for the program and an invitation 3k/5k would be run at the end of the regular program. It will be open to the public with a cost of a gold coin donation to participate. The round will also have a mental health awareness focus alongside the traditional Christmas theme that has been implemented in past years.

- One issue identified was how we were going to lap score all those who entered.
 - Nev will look into this issue and a possibility might be that athletes will need to supply their own lap scorer.

Nev queried the receiving order of recent BRAC life members Brian Howlett and Michael Hayes for his record.

- It was confirmed Brian Howlett (2017) received his first followed by Michael Hayes (2018)

Nev questioned Steve Moneghetti on the situation with the lighting on the Lake as Steve Moneghetti is an "ambassador" for this project

- Steve Moneghetti was able to confirm that both government parties have made a commitment to lighting up the Lake. The voted in party have committed to lights around the Lake and some parts of Vic Park.

Steve Moneghetti

Steve Moneghetti said that he has several trophies at home he plans to throw out and offered them to BRAC if they could use them.

- Steve McLennan noted that many of the BRAC men's trophies are missing and this could be a good opportunity to replace them.
 - If BRAC don't want them Helen stated that Ballarat YCW would be willing to use them.

Helen

Helen noted that the NBN is very hit and miss with the signal strength down in the Tom Roberts pavilion. She suggested we might need to contact NBN about the possibility of getting the signal boosted or moving the router closer to the Tom Roberts.

Ash

Ash let the board know he has created a new email for the all correspondence he receives from Intersport in relation to gate card top ups. Currently it was going to his personal email.

- bracturnstilegate@gmail.com
- Password – Llanberris

Steve McLennan

Steve McLennan noted that the astro turf out the front of the photo finish pavilion is still an ongoing issue. It was Steve's opinion that if we did try and fix it ourselves that the issue might happen again.

- Steve McLennan was given permission to get a quote to properly repair the patch of turf.

Corey Saitta

Corey Saitta from the WestVic Academy came in to discuss how West Vic can help out the sport of athletics. He is new to the academy and wanted to come meet the board and discuss how the WestVic could be of help to the regions high level athletes. He wanted it noted that they didn't want to take over the role of the local coaches but compliment them and provide additional support.

Presently most individual sport scholarships holders are from the sport of athletics. Some of the higher level athletes include Sam Rizzo, Jemma Peart, Alanna Peart, and Eliza Peart.

Currently the WestVic Academy is using high level athletes to influence the younger generation with their experience and knowledge.

Nev questioned that can athletes not part of the program gain access in some capacity?

- Corey stated that currently only those who pay the full membership gain access to program. He agreed that in some capacity an associate membership could be a possibility and that it would need some tinkering. In saying that Corey still wants to keep the integrity of the program and no make it open slather.

John asked what the WestVic Academy can offer athletes?

- Screening
- Education seminars
- Nutrition information
- Sport science testing
- Strength and Conditioning coaching
- Sport psychology

Michelle asked how do you get into West Vic Academy?

- Currently the only way to get into the academy is through scouting done by WestVic themselves. They approach local networks and identify top end talent and self-select.
 - They do have a screening process for all athletes entering the program.

John asked what the selection criteria is to enter the program.

- Corey didn't really identify what the selection criteria were.
- West Vic is after high end talent only. Those looking for further sporting opportunities who aren't at the top of their chosen sport should be contacting Sports Central.
 - Almost all athletes in the WestVic program are state or national level.

Rod stated when he was part of the original development of the WestVic academy the big weakness was the coaching structure for athletes, especially in the more technical events. It was his opinion that these athletes were wasting the money for the membership.

- Corey agreed with this statement. They are working hard to address this issue and maybe looking at offering only what they can cater for rather the current coaching model they had been employing.

Rod queried the cost of the full membership

- Corey was able to confirm the cost is \$420 which allows full access to the academy's programs and facilities.

John questioned should BRAC be identifying athletes on behalf of the West Vic Academy?

- Corey noted that maybe high level athletes should be added to a list and have Steve McLennan or Ash forward on to the academy.
 - Steve Moneghetti echoed this statement and noted that Corey has a lot on his plate so it will be up to the local coaches to get names to Corey
- John suggested that maybe a panel of the local coaches should get together and nominate athletes on behalf of BRAC
 - Corey agreed that might be helpful for the development of the relationship between BRAC and West Vic.

Rod stated that he wouldn't suggest sending athletes under the age of 14 to the program.

Nev asked if a brochure of information is available.

- Not currently but Corey is happy to develop one.

Rod noted that AV currently has a High Performance program running out of Melbourne that a few local athletes are part of. This could be a great alternative closer to home if the program can be run successfully

Nev wanted to know how far the zone is for the WestVic Academy.

- Corey confirmed that the area covered is the Central Highlands and a large majority of the Wimmera.

Steve Moneghetti

Steve Moneghetti has come in to clarify his thoughts on BRAC governance after his name was brought up in discussion at the October BRAC meeting. Steve Moneghetti noted that if he had any issues with BRAC he would bring them up with Steve McLennan or the board rather than discussing with others.

Steve Moneghetti wanted to make sure the turnstile gate system needs to be transparent and that all users of Llanberris are using the gate cards. He has had discussions with a couple of local users who were getting forced to get a gate card. He just wanted to make sure all those entering the track are using the cards, fairness for all.

- BRAC was able to confirm that all users of the track require a gate card. The only exception is those who have sets of keys (president, treasurer, secretary & facilities manager)

A follow on issue was that currently you can't see how many visits you have on your card anywhere.

- This has been an issue for a long time. Previously Rod had developed a program that produced a report that could be stuck on the wall on the Stuart Hunter Pavilion.
- Due to the type of gate system getting this information out to the public is increasingly difficult.
- Ash is happy to receive message and calls checking for people.

Steve Moneghetti also wanted to know who is responsible for putting the passes on cards.

- That is the role of the facilities manager and they are trusted to put them on.
 - It was Steve Moneghetti's recommendation that 2 people to sign off on these before they are put on the cards

His next issue was who has keys to Llanberris Reserve. It was his opinion that only 1 person should have a set of keys.

- He was quickly told that the facility can't run on one set of keys. Too many individuals need access at different times and it would be a nightmare to coordinate
- Steve Moneghetti followed up with then does a key register exist
 - Steve McLennan confirmed the register is currently in his possession. Might be more ideal if a digital copy exists.

Finally Steve Moneghetti asked if BRAC Life Members get free access to Llanberris

- The board confirmed that motion was moved at the October meeting.
 - Steve Moneghetti also inquired how BRAC life members are nominated.
 - Clubs nominate individuals for life membership and they are voted by BRAC committee at the next scheduled AGM.

Paul

Nil

Rod

Nil

Michelle

Nil

Marita

Nil

Next Meeting: 14th of January 2019

Agenda Items Due: 13th of January 2019

Meeting Closed: 9:46pm